## **Union Find**

- N = V= number of nodes;
  M = E= number of edges
- weighted (use sz) + path compression:
- · individual operation:

Union(p,q): Ig\*V

##improved by path compression, attach smaller tree to the larger—> tree height won't increase

Root(p): Ig\*V

## when call root, rewind id[p] = id[id[p]] to trim tree height

ifconnected(p,q):lgV

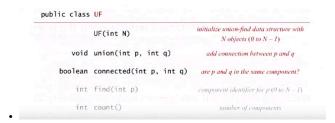
## this repeatedly calling root, so it trims the height on the way

· Whole operation:

N node, for each edge need to call functions!

initialization: V

The whole algorithm: V + E Ig\* V (used E many union)



#### DFS — both dir + undir

#### applications:

- 1. (dir+undir) Find all vertices connected to a given source vertex (union find) reachability
- 2. (dir+undir)Find ONE path between two vertices
- 3. Topological sort
- 4. Directed cycle detection

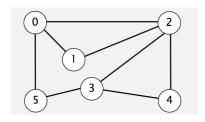
Connected or strongly connected components (dir+undir): Time = O(sum of (vertex degree) ) = O(2E)

General Time: O(E+V)

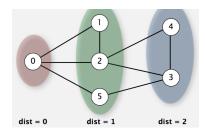
equivalent to Stack

### BFS — both dir+undir

- shortest paths: time = O(E + V)
- when the actual problem could have a very long path, dfs may NOT work well. we use BFS



**BFS** 



- BFS :shortest paths: time = O(E+V)
- eg LC 286: You are given a m x n grid initialized with these three possible values.
  - 1 A wall or an obstacle; 0 A gate; INF empty room. Fill each empty room with the distance to its nearest gate. If it is impossible, fill it with INF.
- Number of vertices: V = m\*n
  Each vertex connect at most 4 other vertices: E = 4\*V
  So, BFS loops all vertices takes: O(E+V) = O(m\*n)

# BFS vs DFS both (undir + dig)

	DFS	BFS
Find a path between a, b	just a path	auto shortest
put unvisited	on a stack	on a queue (FIFO)
(undir )Time	O(E+V)	O(E+V)
Topological sort+	Yes (build a cycle detection within the algo)	NO
dir cycle detect	Yes	NO
find connected component	Yes for undir	Yes for undir
strong component	find reverse graph top order; then find graph cmpnts	NO